

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) A method of initiating a connection to a multi-mode mobile telecommunication device via one of a plurality of access networks, wherein the multi-mode telecommunication device is adapted to operate on two or more radio frequencies or two or more mobile telecommunication access networks, the method comprising the step of

sending a paging message to the mobile telecommunication device from a core network, the paging message specifying a preferred one of the plurality of access networks for the connection, and

receiving a paging response signal from the mobile telecommunication device to the core network over the preferred one of the plurality of access networks, and subsequently setting up the connection over the preferred one of the plurality of access networks.

26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, additionally comprising the step of

returning a paging response signal from the mobile telecommunication device to the core network over a mobile telecommunication access network to which the device is currently monitoring, and subsequently setting up the connection over the preferred one of the plurality of access networks.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the step of sending a paging signal to the mobile telecommunication device comprises the step of transmitting a paging signal specifying the preferred one of the plurality of access networks for the connection over each of a plurality of networks to which the device may monitor.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the connection is one of a facsimile connection, data connection, or multi-media connection.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the preferred one of the plurality of access networks for the connection is one of a GSM access network and a UMTS access network.

31. (Currently Amended) A paging control system for a multi-mode mobile telecommunication device, wherein the multi-mode telecommunication device is adapted to operate on two or more radio frequencies or two or more mobile telecommunication access networks, the system comprising:

input means for receiving a paging message initiating a connection via a first of a plurality of available access networks for the multi-mode mobile telecommunication device; and

means for determining from the connection setup message whether there is a preferred mobile telecommunication access network for the connection.

transmission means for causing the transmission of a paging message corresponding to the connection setup message over respective paging channels of two or more mobile telecommunication access networks serving the multi-mode mobile telecommunication device, the paging message containing an indication of the preferred mobile telecommunication access network for the connection and

means for receiving a paging response signal from the mobile telecommunication device to the paging message over the preferred mobile telecommunication access

network, and subsequently setting up the connection over the preferred one of the plurality of access networks.

32. (Canceled)

33. (Previously Presented) The paging control system of claim 31, wherein the system is located in a Mobile Switching Center of a core network serving a plurality of access networks.

34- 37. (Canceled)

38. (Previously Presented) A multi-mode mobile telecommunication device, wherein the multi-mode telecommunication device is adapted to operate on two or more radio frequencies or two or more mobile telecommunication access networks comprising:

means for receiving a paging message initiating a connection via one of a plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks, the paging message containing an indication of a preferred one of the mobile telecommunication access networks for the connection;

means for determining the preferred mobile telecommunication access network from the paging message; and

means for transmitting a paging response signal over the preferred mobile telecommunication access network.

39. (Currently Amended) A method of setting up a connection to a multi-mode mobile telecommunication device, wherein the multi-mode telecommunication device is adapted to operate on two or more radio frequencies or two or more mobile telecommunication access networks, the method comprising the steps of

sending a paging request from a core network to the device via one of a plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks wherein the paging request includes a preferred one of the plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks;

receiving at the core network a paging response from the device via the preferred one of the plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks; ~~a telecommunication access network to whose paging channel(s) the device is currently monitoring;~~

determining whether the preferred one of the plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks ~~monitored telecommunication access network~~ can support the connection; and

~~if not it is determined that the access network to which the device is monitoring cannot support the connection,~~ establishing a communication channel to the mobile telecommunication device over another one of the plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks that can support the connection.

40 -46. (Canceled)

47. (Currently Amended) A method of initiating a connection from a telecommunication system via one of a plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks to one of a set of two or more communication devices, wherein each of one of the set of two or more communication devices is adapted to operate on two or more radio frequencies or two or more mobile telecommunication access networks the method comprising the step of

sending a paging message to at least one of the set of devices from a core network of the system, the paging message specifying a preferred one of the plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks for the connection and

receiving a paging response signal from one of the at least one of the set of devices to the core network over the preferred one of the plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks, and subsequently setting up the connection over the preferred one of the plurality of mobile telecommunication access networks.

48. (Currently Amended) A method of establishing a connection to a device via a specific one of a plurality of domains defined in a mobile telecommunication system, wherein the device is adapted to operate on two or more radio frequencies or two or more mobile telecommunication access networks, comprising the step of

sending paging messages via one of the plurality of domains ~~domains~~, the paging messages identifying a preferred one of the plurality of domains through which the connection may be completed and

receiving a paging response signal over the preferred one of the plurality of domains, and subsequently setting up the connection over the preferred one of the plurality of access networks.